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DOCTOR, DO SOMETHING.
WHY'S IT ALWAYS HAVE TO BE ME? WHY CAN'T SOMEONE ELSE DO SOMETHING?

DOCTOR!

ONLY FOOLING, RORY. CALM DOWN.
NOW, A DOZEN SILURIANS WITH LASERS READY TO BLAST US INTO INFINITY, AMY ABDUCTED TO BE MADE THEIR QUEEN, AND THE CITY OF CASABLANCA ABOUT TO LEAD TO THE DESTRUCTION OF EARTH.
MUST BE A THURSDAY.

GOING DOWN!
THEY'RE GETTING AWAY!
OF COURSE WE ARE.
TWEE TWEE
WE MUST FOLLOW!
THEY ARE OF NO CONCERN. THE PLAN IS ALL THAT MATTERS NOW.
CONTACT THE CAPTAIN. IT IS TIME TO BEGIN.
I HATE THIS.
BETTER THAN GETTING BLASTERED, NO?
GOOD POINT.

THIS IS DIFFERENT...
WE'RE NOT AS DEEP. THIS IS FRESHLY DUG...

...THEIR TRAVEL DISCS SHOULD'VE TAKEN US TO THEIR BASE, BUT THIS IS JUST—
A HOLE IN THE GROUND.
YES...

HELLO?
HELLO...
HELLO...
HELLO...

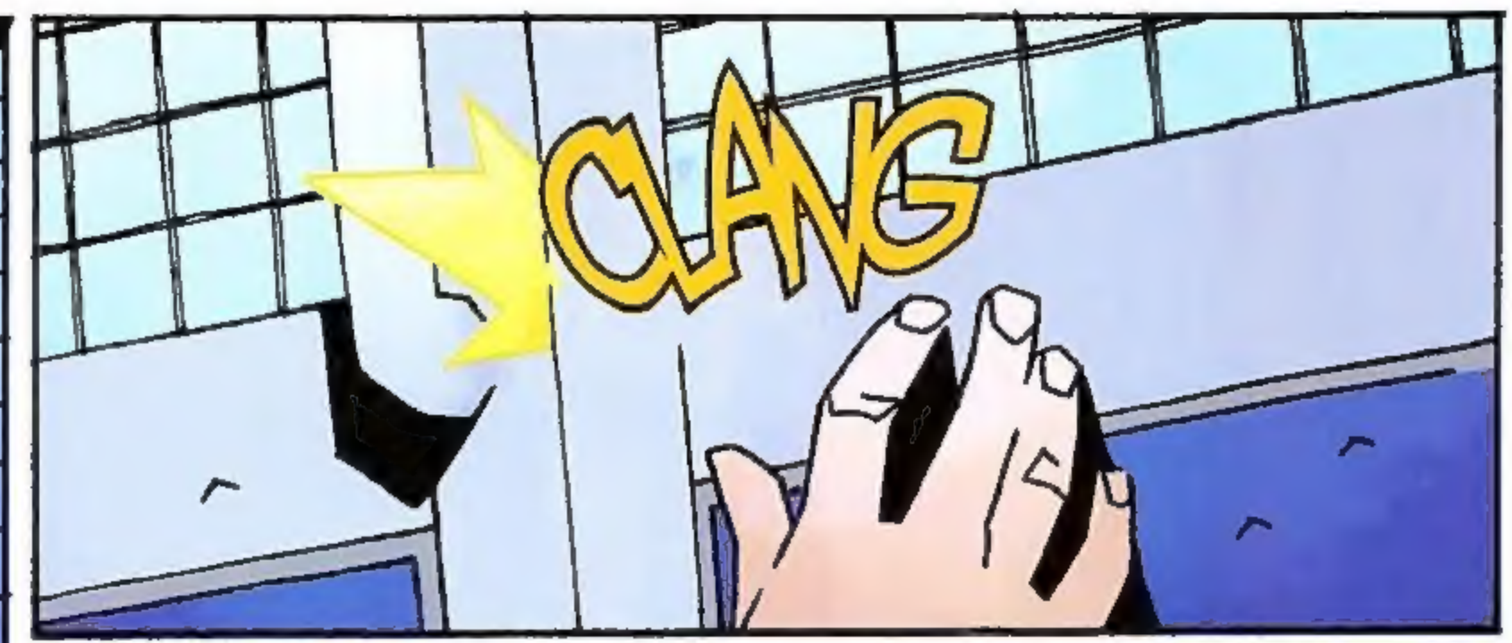
HELLO...
HELLO...
HELLO...
TWEE TWEE
HM. THE TUNNEL GOES ON FOR MILES.
AND SPIDERWEBS OUT.
OH NO.

RORY, WE HAVE TO STOP THIS.
WE WILL.
WE HAVE TO STOP THIS, NOW.
DOCTOR, WHAT—

DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU SHAKE AN ANT FARM, RORY?
THE ANTS ALL DIE.
RIGHT. CASABLANCA IS THE ANT FARM, AND THE HUMAN RACE...
...YOU'RE THE ANTS.

COME, MY LOVE.
YOU CAN'T JUST FORCE ME TO BE YOUR QUEEN.
OH, COME NOW, THERE'S WORSE THINGS THAN BEING EMPRESS OF TWO ENTIRE RACES, ISN'T THERE?
DO I HAVE TO TOUCH YOU?
THAT'S WHY I LOVE HUMANS!
ALWAYS WITH THE DIRTY THOUGHTS.
MY DEAR, YOU'RE NO MORE ATTRACTIVE TO ME THAN AN APE IS TO YOU.
ALTHOUGH FOR AN APELIKE CREATURE, YOU ARE QUITE FETCHING.
NOW, JUST GO IN HERE, AND I'LL BE BACK. HAVE A QUICK ARREST TO MAKE.

I'LL SCREAM.
I'M SURE YOU WILL.
THAT'S WHY I'M GOING TO HAVE MY MEN TURN ON THE SIREN AND DRIVE AROUND.
IT ADDS TO THE DRAMA, DOESN'T IT?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I MUST SAY, I'D HAVE THOUGHT YOU'D BE MORE UPSET ABOUT YOUR FRIENDS BEING KILLED.
OH, THEY'RE NOT DEAD.
THEY'RE GOING TO RESCUE ME.
AND STOP YOUR PLAN.
AND SEND YOU BACK TO WHEREVER YOU CAME FROM WITH YOUR TAIL BETWEEN YOUR LEGS.

DELIGHTFUL! OUR NEW EMPIRE WILL BE SO MUCH FUN!

OFF YOU GO, BOYS.

HAHAHAHAHAHA

HUMANS HAVE THE MOST FABULOUS SENSE OF HUMOUR.

AND SMELL NICE.

HMPH.

WEE-OOOWEE-OOOO-WEE-OOOO-

OY! I'M FALLING BACK HERE!

YOUR... EMPRESS IS ABOUT TO FALL OUT THE BACK OF A LORRY!

WEE-OOOO-
WEE-OOOO-
WEE-OOOO-

OH WELL.

WEE-OOOO-
WEE-OOOO-
WEE-OOOO-

WHOOOO
WHOOOO
WHOOOO
I'VE GOT YOU!
BUT WHO'S GOT YOU?
HELLO!
WHOOOO
WHOOOO
WHOOOO
EVERYONE OKAY?
WHOOOO
WHOOOO
WHOOOO
BETTER THAN.
NOW, CAN WE GET OUT OF THIS TRUCK?
WHOOOO
WHOOOO
WE NEED THE MOBILITY. I'M LOOKING FOR SOMETHING.
CAN WE DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE—
YES.
NOW. WHERE ARE YOU?

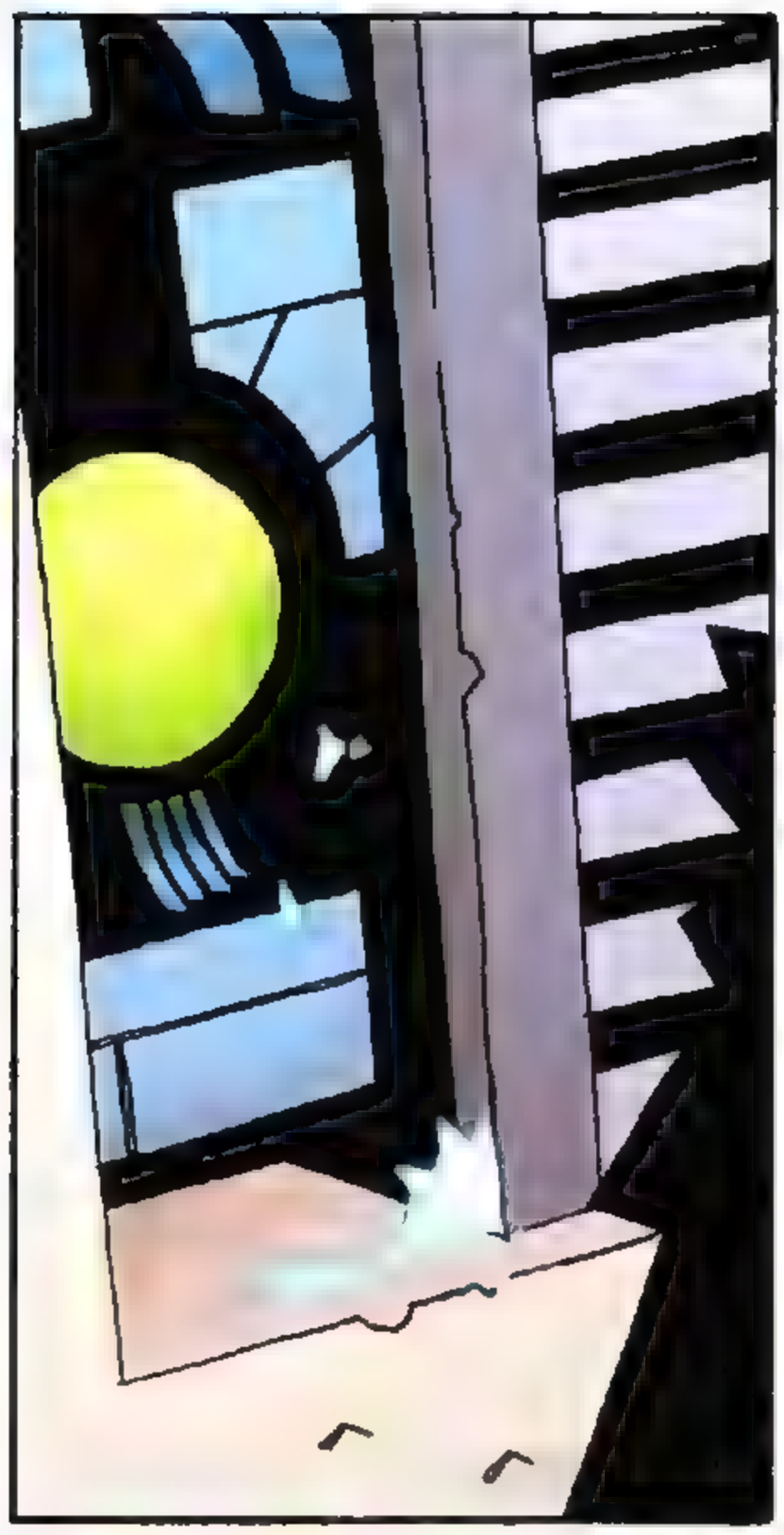
WHERE WOULD YOU BE...?
WHAT'S HE DOING?
THE SILURIANS ARE GOING TO CAUSE A MASSIVE EARTHQUAKE THAT SOMEHOW WIPES OUT ALL OF MANKIND...
AND?!
...HE WAS RIGHT ABOUT THE FISHY FOG.
RIGHT! STOP HERE!
THEY WON'T JUST STOP—
SKREEEEEEEEE

BUT WHY ARE THEY STOPPING?

DON'T KNOW, DON'T CARE.
MOVE IT, PONDS!

I HATE WHEN HE CALLS US THAT.
QUIET, MR. POND.
SHE'S GONE!
DRAT!

SOMEWHERE HERE...
...AHA!



FOR BEING REPTILE-DESCENDED, MILLENNIA-OLD BAD GUYS, THEY'VE REALLY GOT SOME NEAT STUFF.
WHAT IS IT?

THIS IS ONE OF THE CONDUITS THAT HAS BEEN VAPORIZING THE WATER.
THEY'VE BEEN WEIGHING THE AIR WITH AS MUCH HUMIDITY AS POSSIBLE, SO THAT WHEN THE TIME COMES, THEY FLIP A SWITCH, AND IT UNLOADS ITSELF AS PRECIPITATION. THEN THE TUNNELS BENEATH THE CITY BEGIN TO COLLAPSE, CAUSING AN EARTHQUAKE AND A TIDAL WAVE THAT WOULD WIPE OUT MOST OF LIFE AS WE KNOW IT.
DID I MISS ANYTHING, CAPTAIN?
NO, QUITE RIGHT. THE END OF YOUR ENTIRE WRETCHED SPECIES, AND A RETURN FOR MINE.

WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
WE ARE THE RIGHTFUL—
NO. NOT YOUR SPECIES. YOU.
YOU, CAPTAIN. WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
I DON'T—
I SAW YOUR WORK DOWN BELOW. IT'S... WONDERFUL.
VERY LONG DONE.
AND DONE.
SO, WHY HAVEN'T YOU STARTED IT YET?
I—

WHY NOT DESTROY THIS CITY AND THESE PEOPLE YEARS AGO WHEN YOU'D COMPLETED THE MACHINE AND THE TUNNELS?
WHY PLAY THIS GAME?
AND WHY HAVEN'T YOU TURNED OFF YOUR GLIMMER SUIT?
THERE'S NO ONE HERE, AND WE KNOW YOUR SECRET, AND YET, YOU'RE STILL HIDING YOUR TRUE SELF.
UNLESS YOU'VE REALIZED THAT YOU AREN'T THE SUPERIOR SPECIES.
YOU'RE JUST ANOTHER SPECIES.
AND THESE HUMANS, THE ONES WHO REPLACED YOU...
...ARE SIMPLY THE MOST AMAZING CREATURES IN THE UNIVERSE.

THE REST OF OUR SPECIES SLEEPS, THOUSANDS OF MILES AWAY, AND THEY LEFT ME... AND THE THINGS THEY TOLD ME...
I... I JUST CAN'T KILL THEM.
I'VE... BEEN HOLDING THEM OFF FOR SO LONG, TRYING TO STALL IT OUT.
THEY TOLD ME HUMANS WERE WILD ANIMALS, MONSTERS WHO CARED FOR NOTHING BUT THEMSELVES.
AND WHEN THIS WAR BROKE OUT... I BELIEVED IT. I SAW THE THINGS THESE NAZIS DID.
BUT THEN...
...I SAW WHAT THE RESISTANCE DID. THE FRENCH AND THE BRITISH AND THE AMERICANS...
...I SAW THAT THESE ARE NOT ANIMALS.
THEY'RE THE VERY BEST AND THE VERY WORST OF WHAT LIFE HAS TO OFFER.
AND WHAT RIGHT DO WE HAVE TO DECIDE THEIR FATE?
THAT WOULD MAKE US NO BETTER THAN THE SO-CALLED ANIMALS I WAS SENT TO DESTROY.

GOOD MAN.
ER, HOMO REPTILIA.

NOW, LET'S GET THIS SHUT DOWN, AND THEN WE CAN DO ALL THE REST.
WE CAN'T JUST SHUT IT DOWN. THAT'LL JUST DO THE SAME THING. ALL THE PRECIPITATION...

RIGHT. SO... ONE AT A TIME.
WHERE'S THE CENTRAL STATION? WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GRADUALLY SHUT THEM DOWN FROM THERE.

IT'S—
BLAST
—GAH!

DEATH TO THE BETRAYER!
NO!

I WILL NOT LET ANOTHER PERSON DIE.
YOU WILL STAND DOWN.
WE WILL NOT MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE AS OUR FORMER LEADER.
FORMER?!
LET THEM WATCH THEIR SPECIES BURN.
TAKE THEM TO THE BASE.

STOP THIS RIGHT NOW.
I AM THE LEADER OF THIS PLATOON AND THE KING OF THE NEW EMPIRE!
YOU'RE A TRAITOR, AND YOU WILL BE DEALT WITH AS SUCH.
THIS WILL NOT STAND!
NO, YOU'RE RIGHT—IT WON'T.
INSTEAD...

...INSTEAD IT WILL SWIM!
TO BE CONCLUDED!

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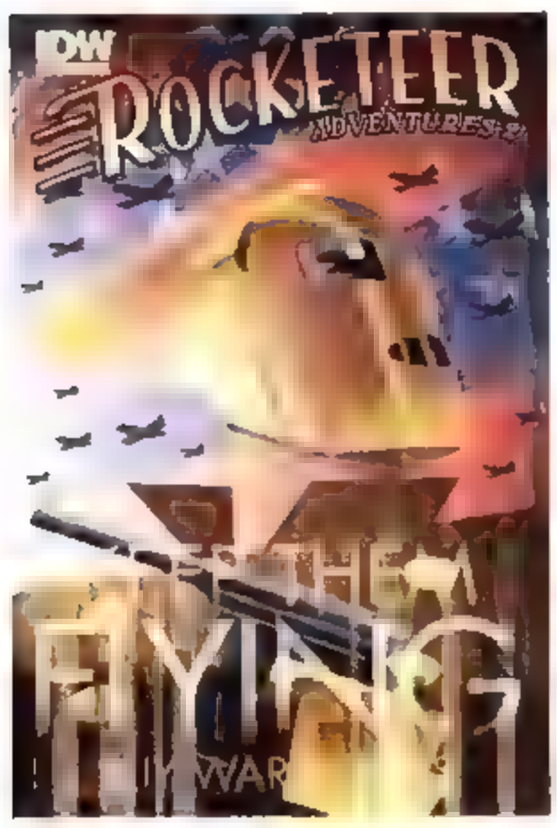
Spring is in the air, and I'm not in town to mess around! Need to do some spring cleaning, and make a little room for all the great books we've got showing up in March! It's probably time to get rid of this old encyclopedia set for starters, people keep telling me about this thing called "the Internet."



Well, good thing I've got the shelf space, because we've got a ton of great books coming as usual. But I need to clear a little space in a long box, too, because our comic launches this month are ridiculous!

How about the return of the *Rocketeer Adventures* anthology, for example? **Dave Stevens'** greatest creation is back, brought to life by some of the best creators in the business!

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Ah, Springtime. It's magic.

—Dirk

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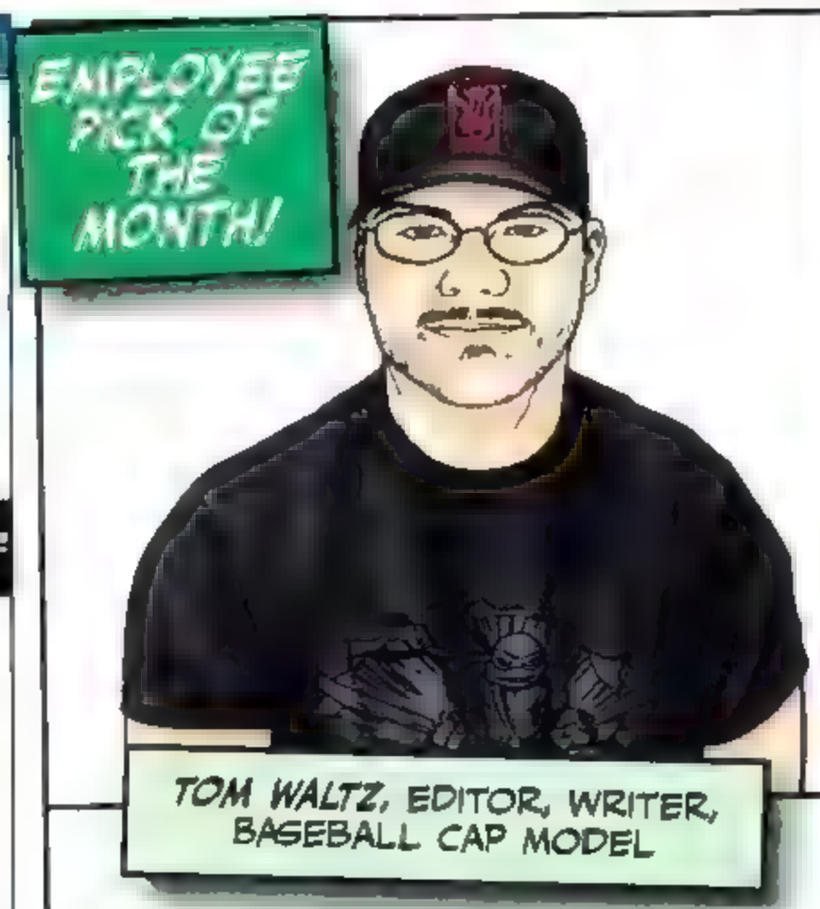

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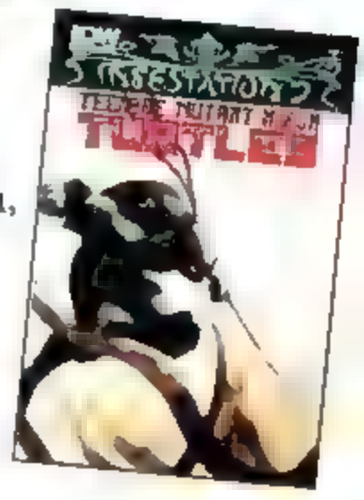
Wow! Another great month of books from IDW! I'm super stoked about the release of the *Ghostbusters Volume 1* trade paperback collection—a top-notch compilation of our first four issues of the awesome new ongoing mega-hit series!

Plus, plenty of TMNT goodness happening, too, including Turtle Power flexing its mean, green muscles in IDW's massive INFESTATION 2 event! Like I said... GREAT MONTH!



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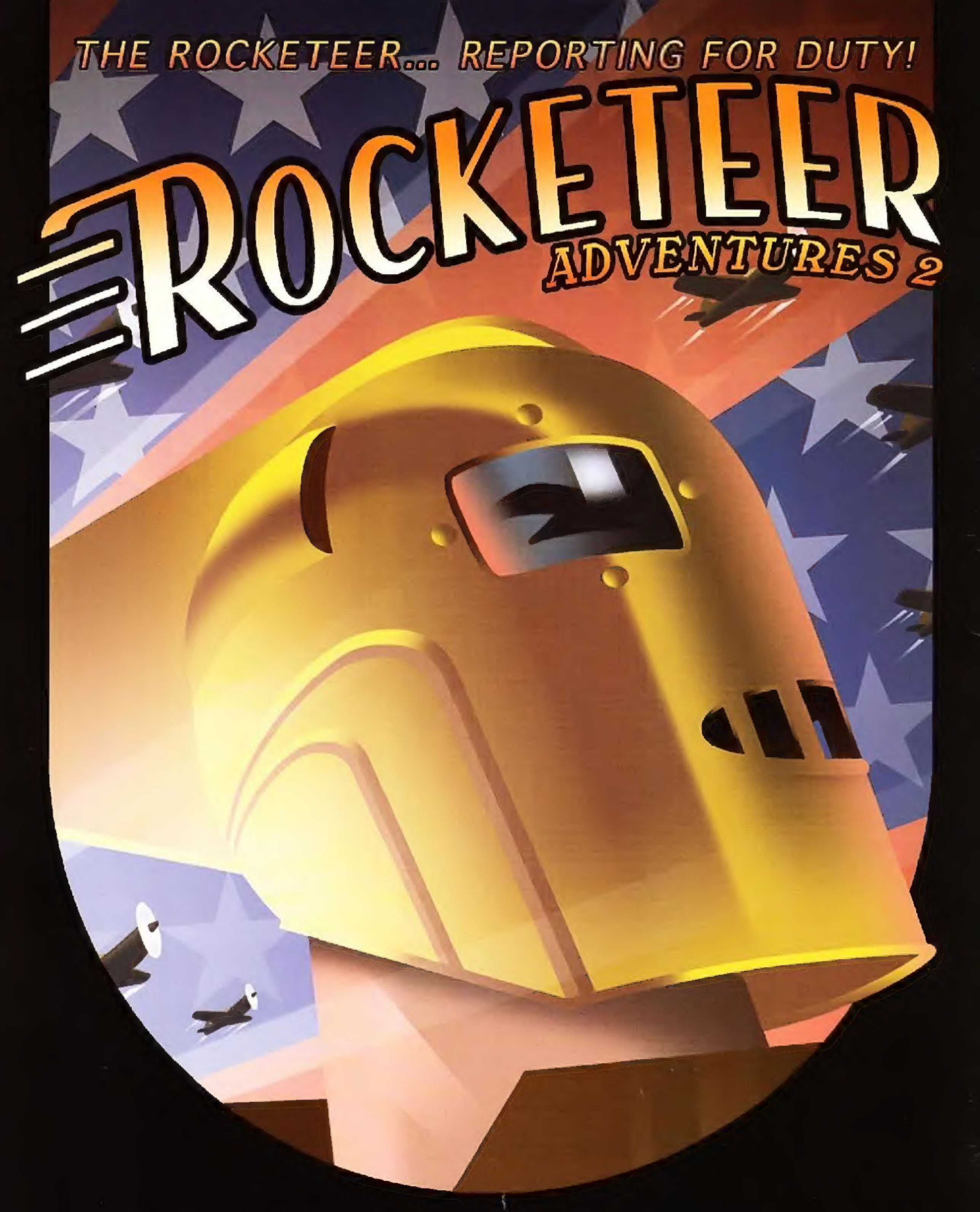

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